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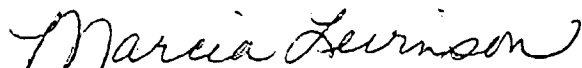
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

As a supporter of Microsoft, I write you with concern over the recent developments in the settlement. It is strange to see that, after three years of negotiating, this settlement may be subject to still further litigation. It is ridiculous to waste our time and money on fighting a battle that has already been won.

Microsoft has made sweeping commitments to prove that they are willing to work with their competitors. They have agreed to make changes in licensing and marketing and even design. Microsoft has agreed to design future versions of Windows that will allow for easier installation of non-Microsoft software. They have also agreed to be monitored for proper procedure and even allow themselves to be sued if a competitor does not feel that they are acting properly.

With concessions such as these it only makes sense to support this settlement. It is clearly beneficial for the consumer, the IT sector and our economy as a whole. I urge you to help support it in its current state and not waste more time, energy and money that could be better spent elsewhere.

Sincerely,



Marcia Levinson

cc: Senator Rick Santorum